

Subject: CHERNIAVSKY Viktor and Rita

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Following is the gist of information obtained from
Subjects during their visit to Dr Kl on 4 Feb 1967 from 20.00 to
24.00 hrs:

1. Subject's children will definitely come in summer 1967 to
New York, N.Y. This will probably be last year of Cherniavsky's in
the USA and abroad in general. Of course, it was not sure, maybe
he will be sent to Europe. Rita would like her husband to be
assigned to Paris or some other European capital.

2. TRONKO Petro Tymofiyevych, Vice-Chairman of the Council
of Ministers of Ukrainian SSR, is coming to Montreal, Canada to
take part in ^{the} opening ^{of} the Expo 1967. The opening is scheduled for
27 Apr 1967. CHERNIAVSKY suggested Dr Kl would hold a talk or
rather conference with TRONKO. Dr Kl replied she did not mind talking
to him.

Almost all members of the Mission in New York will go to Montreal
to participate in Ukrainian Week scheduled to take place at the
expo. They did not know yet the exact date.

3. SHEVCHENKO Sergei, the chief of New York Ukrainian Mission
was very dissatisfied with Dr Kl's article published in Ukrainske
zhytтя in Chicago, Ill. entitled "Who will fill in the vacuum 3-
some thoughts on the occasion of encounters with compatriots from
Ukraine", in which she also criticized the Mission of Ukr SSR in
New York. Both, CHERNIAVSKY and KOCHUBEY Yuri, tried to convince
SHEVCHENKO that Dr Kl was right but SHEVCHENKO stuck to his own
opinion. He even reproached CHERNIAVSKY for what Dr had written.
But one has to have more understanding for SHEVCHENKO. According
to CHERNIAVSKY, SHEVCHENKO belongs to the old school and does not
understand that people have right to their own opinion.

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Alita added that on the whole it wouldn't be good if Dr Kl had praised the Mission.

4. Dr Kl told Subject that she was going to hold a speech on contacts with Soviet Ukrainians at the Round Table Club, on 14 Mar or so, in which she will again criticize the Mission. But she wanted to have from Viktor some suggestions as to what she should criticize in Kiev. CHERNIAVSKY replied that it was up to her what she was going to say, but he thought that, for instance, one could criticize BILOROKLOS Dmytro, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ukr SSR, who is no good on this position because as a teacher's type he should be better in UDOVYCHENKO's boots (W.S. UDOVYCHENKO Petro Platonovich, became minister of Education of Ukr SSR as of 21 Jan 1967; he replaced Bondar A.A. on that position.) And vice-versa, UDOVYCHENKO would make a much better Minister of Foreign Affairs. Dr Kl could say that it was a sign of ~~permanent~~ ^{CONTINUED} arbitrariness on the part of the party which picks up Ministers at its own discretion without paying proper attention to their qualifications.

5. CHERNIAVSKY ridiculed HOLUBNYCHY'S assertion that Kolosova's Committee had been degraded. On the contrary, the fact that LUCHKO and other high personalities joined the Board of Kolosova's Society proved exactly the opposite "but we already got used to the idea that this Profesorchyk (Holubnychy Vsevolod) knows everything better".

6. CHERNIAVSKY wanted to know whether Dr Kl could get the copy of ^{the film} Andriy Butykh - redkiv from the Round Table Club, and in his turn he would try to get for her Son (The Dream). Dr Kl told that she will have to talk to people from the Club.

7. CHLADNIN VSKY "promised" to introduce I.S. KHMIL, an employee of the USSR, to L. K1 on 7 Feb 1967 (N.B. They did not come on 7 Feb, probably because of bad weather.) KHMIL is a historian and "diplomat", the author, author of " With the Banner of Peace through Flames of War", with the subtitle "Diplomatic Activity of USSR in 1917-1920", published in Kiev in 1962 by the Publishing House of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR. He stays with his wife in New York, N.Y. Their daughter is in Kiev.

(N.B. From other sources it is known that KHMIL is mainly interested in Ukrainian young scholars active at American Universities and met some of them like Holubaychy Vsevolod, Zayashyn Oleh, Zhayenko Vasyl and Myroslava and others.* KHMIL had visited in the past Zhayenko and Holubaychy and KHMIL's wife claimed that their daughter is a Ukrainian poetess. KHMIL's wife also claimed to be well familiar with poets millieu in Kiev.

Their daughter's name is Svitlana, and in Polod Ukrainy of Mar 1965 her poems were printed. She was also published in Polod and in the Collection " Poetry Day 1965".

Svitlana KHMIL was described as a young Ukrainian poetess, born in Stavyshecha, Kiev oblast, in 1964/65 student of 9th grade at 82nd middle school in Kiev.

Incidentally, there is some difference between the text of the poem "Vijata" as published in Polod Ukrainy of 7 Mar 1965 and in "Poetry Day 1965".

* The others : Ivan Lysiak - Rudnytsky of Philadelphia, Pa and above all KOROPECKY, Ivan of ~~Camden~~ Camden, N.J. whom KHMIL had visited at home.